AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph 13 of the substitute specification as follows:

[0013]   From one aspect, the present invention comprises a text processor for facilitating user familiarisation with the word-shapes of the standard text of a language by enabling a user to select between a plurality of non-standard texts that differ from one another according to the degree to which each incorporates clues or markers to the identity of spoken words that correspond to the word-shapes of the non-standard text. Where the standard text is alphabetical, the non-standard texts may differ from one another according to the degree to which their word-shapes incorporate phonetic clues or markers; that is, according to the amount of clues or marker therein. Where the standard text is logographic, the non-standard texts may differ from one another according to the degree to which they incorporate pictographic clues. The text processor will normally be computer-based so that the standard and non-standard texts can be displayed on a computer screen or monitor by suitable inputs from the user, operating a computer keyboard, mouse or other input device.

Please amend the paragraph 14 of the substitute specification as follows:

[0014]   From another aspect, the invention employs computer-based text display means to facilitate familiarisation with the standard written form of a natural language by allowing a user to selectively display text in any one of a plurality of display modes that vary incrementally in the degree to which they depart from standard text according to the degree to which phonetic and/or pictographic clues are incorporated therein. The display modes thus form a hierarchy according to the level of phonetic/pictographic explicitness, including the amount of phonetic clues or markers, there being preferably at least three steps in the hierarchy: